

**STATE OF NEW JERSEY  
DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS  
ORTHOTICS AND PROSTHETICS BOARD OF EXAMINERS  
PUBLIC SESSION MINUTES  
July 21, 2009**

The meeting of the New Jersey State Orthotics and Prosthetics Board of Examiners was held on July 21, 2009, at the State Office Building at 124 Halsey Street, Newark, NJ. The meeting was convened in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act with previous notification having been sent to the Secretary of State and the following publications: The Record in Bergen County, The Star Ledger, Camden Courier Post, Trenton Times, Aisling Swift Press of Atlantic City and Asbury Park Press, to advise of the scheduling of this meeting. The meeting was called to order by Louis J. Haberman, C.P.O., (Chair) at 10:15 A.M.

## OPENING STATEMENT - Reading of "The Sunshine Law"

**PRESENT** - Board Members

Louis J. Haberman, C.P.O., (Chair)  
Brooke Artesi, L.O. CPED, (Co-Chair)  
Heikki Uustal, M.D. and  
Mildred E. Carlascio, C.O.

**ALSO, PRESENT:**

Deputy Attorney General Swang Oo,  
Executive Director, Laura L. Anderson and  
Recording Secretary, Maria Bertorelli.

- I. MINUTES:** THE BOARD, UPON MOTION MADE BY MILDRED CARLASCIO AND SECONDED BY HEIKKI UUSTAL, VOTED TO APPROVE THE MAY 26, 2009, PUBLIC SESSION MINUTES AS PRESENTED.

## II. LEGISLATION

### A. Assembly Bills

A-2029 Permits revised methods of treatments for chiropractors and establishes education requirements.

The Board reviewed Assembly Bill A- 2029, and requested that Louis Haberman submit comments in writing advising that the Board supports this bill with the exemption of the use of the word “brace fitting”.

**B. N.J.A.C. 11:21-1 Small Employer Health Benefits Program**

The Board reviewed the proposed readoption with amendments to N.J.A.C. 11:21-1 Small Employer Health Benefits Program.

The Board considered this material as informational.

**III. REPORTS**

2009 (1<sup>st</sup> half) Budget Report

The Board was advised that Darlene Kane, Budget Officer will attend the September 15, 2009 meeting, to clarify questions on the previously submitted 2009 (1<sup>st</sup> half budget report).

**IV. OLD BUSINESS**

**N.J.A.C. 13:44h-6.3 Continuing education. (Pedorthists)**

The Board had a question regarding the continuing education requirements for Certified pedorthists licensed by the Board in this State, since the licensure is voluntary.

The Board was advised of the continuing education requirements that ABC has for pedorthists.

The Board considered this material as informational.

**V. CONTINUING EDUCATION**

Continuing Education Committee reports. (Brooke Artesi, L.O. CPED and Heikki Uustal, M.D).

**1. John R. Fedeyko**

**Lic # 45OR0000100**

The Board's Continuing Education Committee reviewed the material on CE's courses taken by licensee Mr. Fedeyko and recommended that the courses taken were not acceptable since

these training courses were not approved by the American Board for Certification in Orthotics and Prosthetics (“ABC”) and/or by any other acceptable accrediting body.

The Board, upon the motion made by Mildred Carlascio and seconded by Heikki Uustal, voted to deny John Fedeyko’s courses to be credited as continuing education requirements.

**2. John Robert Horne Lic # 45PO00004100**

The Continuing Education Committee reviewed continuing education courses completed and submitted by Mr. Horne and recommends that his continuing education should be accepted as they met requirements and are approved courses by the American Board for Certification in Orthotics and Prosthetics (“ABC”).

The Board, upon motion made by Heikki Uustal and seconded by Mildred Carlascio, voted to approve courses completed and submitted by John Robert Horne as continuing education requirements.

**VI. UPDATES**

**Functional Electrical Stimulation- “Bioness”**

At its May 26, 2009 meeting, Heikki Uustal, brought to the attention of the board, the utilization of a new orthotic product called “Bioness,” . Apparently this orthotic device, which is a functional electrical stimulation, is being introduced, utilized and fitted by manufacturer’s representative. Since Bioness, is an orthotic device and must be fitted and appropriately adjusted, the service must be provided by licensed individuals. The Board requested that a letter be prepared and sent to the manufacturer advising of the regulation with regard to their sales representatives.

The Board, upon motion made by Heikki Uustal and seconded by Mildred Carlascio, voted that the letter reviewed be sent to Bioness.

11:45 A.M., the Board, upon a motion made by Mildred Carlascio and seconded by Heikki Uustal, voted to move into Executive Session to consider and review consumer complaints, investigative reports and other information received pursuant to the Board's regulations. The results of these deliberations will be made known when and if the Board determines to initiate disciplinary or other enforcement action. If the Board determines to issue any sanction, that disciplinary action will be taken in a public session immediately after the session.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Laura L. Anderson  
Executive Director